

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:468
ANSWERED ON:08.05.2007
PROMOTION OF HANDICRAFT
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes for promoting handicrafts trade in the country, particularly in the State of Rajasthan;
- (b) whether any special package is proposed to be provided to certain States in view of the conditions of famine and drought in many parts of the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which package is likely to be finalised and released; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.468 FOR ANSWER ON 8.5.2007.

(a): In order to promote handicrafts in the country including from the State of Rajasthan, the Govt. is implementing various schemes which includes: Baba Saheb Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana (AHVY) for integrated development of selected craft clusters; Design and Technology Upgradation; Marketing Support and Services; Export Promotion; Special Handicrafts Training Project (SHTP); Training and Extension; Rajiv Gandhi Shilpi Swasthaya Bima Yojana and Research and Development, etc.

(b): There is no proposal to provide special package to certain States in view of the conditions of famine and drought in any part of the country.

(c): Does not arise.

(d): Handicrafts being the State subject and no request has been received from any State Government to provide special package in view of the conditions of famine and drought prevalent in a particular state.